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PUMP SYSTEM**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 18-20 as follows:

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18. The pumping system of claim 1, wherein the at least one valve is capable of producing pressure within a range during a power failure of solenoids.

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19. The pumping system of claim 14, wherein the flow control systems includes control valves which are capable of producing pressure within a range during a power failure of solenoids.

20. The pumping system of claim 19, wherein the control valves are designed to have an optimum pressure drop at room temperature or higher thereby.